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APPLICANTS: Kawasaki et al.

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TITLE: GENES INTEGRATING SIGNAL TRANSDUCTION
PATHWAYS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE


Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on February 21, 2001, in the above-identified patent application. For the reasons discussed below, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection and rejections made in the Office Action.

Amendments

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

 Please cancel claims 1, 3, 8, 10 and 119 without prejudice. Please amend claims 2, 4-7, 9, 11, 38-40, 45, 48, 50, 62, 118, and 120 as follows: